

In the claims:

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Amend claims 1-4 as follows:

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-- 1. A computer readable medium having stored therein a policy file for controlling cryptographic functions of an application program, the computer readable medium comprising:

- an attribute portion that holds a plurality of cryptographic policy attributes, each cryptographic policy attribute representing a cryptographic function;
- a value portion that includes a plurality of attribute values each attribute value corresponding to a separate one of the cryptographic policy attributes and indicating to a policy filter whether an application program may employ the cryptographic policy represented by the attribute; and
- a signature portion for verifying authenticity of the attribute portion and the value portion.

2. The medium of claim 1, wherein the plurality of cryptographic policy attributes includes cryptographic capabilities of the application program in a country where the application program is said to be executed.

3. The medium of claim 1, wherein each of the attribute values is a data string, an integer number, or a truth expression, the truth expression including one of a true flag, a false flag, and a conditional flag.

4. The medium of claim 1, wherein the signature portion includes a digital signature and a chain of certificates, the digital signature including a certificate indicative of the origin of the digital signature, and the chain of certificates is indicative of the validity of the digital signature. --